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1. Pursuant to instructions relayed through Col. Fuller, I called Gen. Klein in New York, and he read me the text of a telegram he had just received from Senators Bridges and Ferguson regarding his mission for the Senate Appropriations Committee. The telegram stated that in view of the defeat of EDC, which was a serious blow to the free nations of the West, the survey into our armed services in Europe would have to be temporarily set aside and that instead Gen. Klein's trip should chiefly interest itself in a survey of the effect of the defeat of EDC and the effect of the French action. I assured Gen. Klein that he could talk with [redacted] (which he will reach approximately 15 September) and that we were informing [redacted] of his arrival. Gen. Klein asked whether [redacted] would be in touch with him, and I told the General that for security reasons we make it a rule to avoid, wherever possible, making contact with our civilian personnel abroad. Gen. Klein acquiesced in this position and stated he hoped that he might be able to report to Allen Dulles upon his return.

2. A meeting was held at the State Department with Mr. Harold Vedeler, of the Bureau of European Affairs, and Mr. Sidney Buford, of the State Department Intelligence Staff, regarding the surfacing of the [redacted] Present for CIA, in addition to Mr. Pforzheimer, were [redacted] The Acting Secretary of State has determined that the State Department announcement of the surfacing of [redacted] would be handled by the State Department Press Officer at his customary noon press briefing. I pointed out that the Jenner Committee would like not to be "scooped" by the release of the notes in view of the fact that they are surfacing [redacted] and that therefore the release time should coincide with [redacted] appearance before the Committee. It was agreed that in order to provide adequate time for the preparation of the case by the Committee, we should set a target date for open hearings as of 13 September, and that it would be preferable to open hearings in the afternoon so that the State Department notes could be delivered to [redacted] [redacted] governments on the morning of the 13th. By opening

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hearings in the afternoon (in view of the time differential) this will allow the Department to get confirmation back that the notes were delivered that morning, would allow the usual noon press conference to take place (with a hold for release time until 2:15 in the afternoon) and this in turn would permit those correspondents who cover the State Department and desire to attend the hearings to be present. Mr. Vedeler was extremely cooperative on all these aspects.

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